IN THE HIGH COURT OF GUJARAT AT AHMEDABAD

PETN,UNDER ARBITRATION ACT. No 56 of 1998

For Approval and Signature:

Hon'ble CHIEF JUSTICE MR DM DHARMADHIKARI

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1. Whether Reporters of Local Papers may be allowed to see the judgements? : NO

2. To be referred to the Reporter or not? : NO

3. Whether Their Lordships wish to see the fair copy of the judgement? : NO

4. Whether this case involves a substantial question of law as to the interpretation of the Constitution of India, 1950 of any Order made thereunder? : NO

5. Whether it is to be circulated to the Civil Judge? : NO

BHALABHAI R. SATHWARA

Versus

OIL & NATURAL GAS CORPORATION LTD.

Appearance:

MR HK PARMAR for Petitioner

MR RAJNI H MEHTA for Respondent No. 1

CORAM : CHIEF JUSTICE MR DM DHARMADHIKARI

Date of decision: 24/03/2000

ORAL JUDGEMENT

On the last date of hearing, the Counsel for the applicant was granted time to suggest the names of arbitrators to be selected for appointment. On behalf of the respondent ONGC, Ld. Counsel on the last date of hearing has proposed 3 names but all of them are employees in different branches of ONGC Ltd. The Ld. Counsel for the applicant has given a list mentioning the

names of three retired judges of this Court, any one of whom may be chosen as Arbitrator in this case. Noone appears on behalf of ONGC today. From out of the names proposed on behalf of ONGC since all of them are employees of ONGC, I consider it fit to appoint Mr.Justice P.M.Chauhan, retired Judge of this Court to be the sole Arbitrator for decision of the disputes between the parties in terms of the Arbitration Clause. It is ordered accordingly. The Arbitrator shall enter upon the reference after giving the notice to the parties and shall pass a speaking award. The petition is disposed of accordingly.

(D.M.Dharamadhikari, CJ)

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